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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed

November 14, 2006, the term for response to which is extended by

two months by Petition filed concurrently herewith to expire on

April 14, 2007 (Saturday), which is automatically extended to

Monday, April 16, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims are set forth in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Claims 1, 3-7, 9 and 10 are amended; claims 2 and 8 are maintained; and claims 11 and 12 are added.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

This paper is being submitted via EFS-Web on April 16, 2007

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